

CITY OF HAYWARD

AGENDA REPORT

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AGENDA ITEM _____
WORK SESSION ITEM 2a

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Community and Economic Development

SUBJECT: FY 2006-07 Community Development Block Grant Funding Recommendations and Annual Action Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council review and comment on this report.

BACKGROUND:

Hayward is awarded an annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). A notice of the HUD-required public hearing on the CDBG Annual Action Plan, scheduled for the April 18 Council meeting, was published in *The Daily Review* on March 21, 2006 and citizen comments are being accepted from that date through the hearing.

Approximately \$2,287,300 is available to fund eligible CDBG activities during FY 2006 – 07:

FY 2006 - 07 Entitlement Grant	\$1,766,614
FY 2006 – 07 Program Income (projected)	<u>520,686</u>
Available CDBG funds	\$2,287,300

Administration costs for FY 2006-07 CDBG program are estimated at \$450,000 including funds for HUD-required environmental reviews, support for the homeless Continuum of Care Council, and fair labor standards construction wage monitoring. The balance of funds available for other CDBG program activities is \$1,722,291.

CDBG program income results primarily from loan pay-offs by residential borrowers: first-time homebuyers and housing rehabilitation clients who are refinancing or selling their homes. The projected Program Income includes \$115,000 in anticipated Small Business Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) payments which will recycle into the fund for additional loans.

To ensure that the Block Grant is used for “bricks and mortar” community development improvements and housing, Congress has capped CDBG public services funding at 15% of the sum of FY 2006-07 entitlement grant plus program income received in FY 2005-06, or \$351,697. While program income has stabilized in FY 2005-06 at a level similar to that projected for FY 2006-07, the entitlement grant has been reduced by more than 10% as compared to FY

2005-06, which followed a 5% decrease from FY 2004-05, and this has resulted in a \$30,000 reduction in the amount available for public services funding as compared to FY 2005-06.

In recognition of the 15% reduction over two years and of likely future reductions to the entitlement grant, applicants were encouraged to submit those projects most directly related to housing for CDBG funding consideration and those projects of a more general service nature for Social Services funding. Consequently, some proposals have shifted from one source of City funding to another source. Both the Citizen Advisory Commission and the Human Services Commission supported this shift and coordinated their proposal reviews. Currently the Administration is proposing a 25% cut for FY 2007-08. Hayward is fortunate to have representatives in Congress who understand the importance of the Block Grant and oppose the proposed cuts.

DISCUSSION OF CAC AND STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

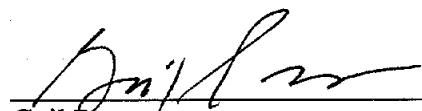
Thirty proposals for CDBG funds were submitted totaling \$3,939,486. Staff conducted site visits with agencies that were first-time applicants, for newly-proposed projects and for projects that had not received funding recently. The Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Chair appointed an Application Review Committee (ARC) to evaluate proposals and recommend funding allocations. The ARC interviewed each applicant agency on Saturday, January 28. Staff also evaluated each proposal, participated in the ARC interviews and made preliminary recommendations. On February 15th, the ARC's recommendations were discussed by the full CAC which issued its preliminary recommendations.

Applicants were provided the opportunity to respond in writing to the preliminary recommendations. The CAC discussed the written responses and made their final funding recommendations on March 15th, as did staff. For the first time, this Commission has chosen to prioritize four projects for funding consideration should additional CDBG funds become available prior to the Council's public hearing. No additional funds are available. Fiscal Year 2006-07 CAC and Staff Recommendations appear in Exhibit A. Other than these "additional considerations," there are no differences between the CAC and Staff recommendations. A summary description of each application, previous City support if any was received, and the CAC and staff rationale for their respective recommendations are included in Exhibit B.

NEXT STEPS

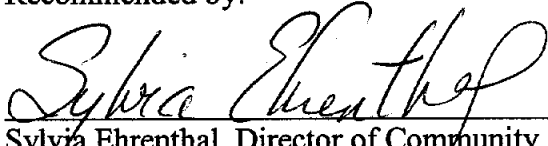
A public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant Program is scheduled for April 18, 2006. Allocations adopted by Council will be included in the City's Annual Action Plan to be considered on April 18 and forwarded to HUD by May 15, 2006.

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Attachments: Exhibit A – FY 2006-07 Chart of Funding Recommendations
Exhibit B – FY 2006-07 CAC and Staff Recommendations and Conditions

FY 2006-07
Chart of Funding Recommendations

#	CATEGORY OF NEED	Funding Requested	Final Recommendations	
			Staff	CAC
	I. OWNERSHIP HOUSING			
	No applications were submitted in this category.			
	II. HOUSING REHABILITATION			
1.	Citizen's Housing / Stevenson Housing Corporation	\$450,000	\$0	\$0
2.	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program (COH)	\$575,000	\$575,000	\$575,000
3.	Minor Home Repair Program (COH)	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000
4.	Eden Housing	\$600,000	\$0	\$0
	Subtotals:	\$1,975,000	\$925,000	\$925,000
	III. NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES & IMPROVEMENTS			
5.	Acquisition of the Matt Jimenez Community Center (COH)	\$133,330	\$133,330	\$133,330
6.	Head Start (at EYFC)	\$280,000	\$0	\$0
7.	Family Emergency Shelter Coalition	\$75,000	\$26,000	\$26,000
8.	Hayward Community Gardens	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
9.	Magnolia Women's Recovery Program	\$280,000	\$0	\$0
10.	St. Rose Hospital / Silva Pediatric Dental Clinic (at EYFC)	\$80,000	Application withdrawn	
11.	Salvation Army	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
12.	Seventh Step Foundation	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
13.	Spectrum Community Services (with SOS)	\$41,800	\$41,800	\$41,800
14.	Westminster Hills Presbyterian Church	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000
15.	Women on the Way (WOTW)	\$40,000	\$39,464	\$39,464
	Subtotals:	\$1,135,130	\$395,594	\$395,594
	IV. PUBLIC SERVICES			
16.	Alameda County Community Foodbank (Shelter Collaborative): Food delivered from the Food	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
17.	Community Resources for Independent Living (CRIL)	\$50,449	\$0	\$0
18.	Eden Council for Hope and Opportunity (ECHO)	\$156,925	\$78,000	\$78,000
19.	Eden I&R: Roving Housing Resource Program	\$50,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
20.	Emergency Shelter Program	\$29,989	\$24,000	\$24,000
21.	Family Emergency Shelter Coalition	\$35,000	\$23,700	\$23,700
22.	Family Violence Law Center	\$85,000	\$58,727	\$58,727
23.	Horeb House for Women and Children	\$62,535	\$0	\$0
24.	Human Outreach Agency	\$47,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
25.	Seventh Step Foundation	\$80,875	\$5,000	\$5,000
26.	Shelter Against Violent Environments	\$70,000	\$42,770	\$42,770
27.	Spectrum Community Services	\$10,980	\$0	\$0
28.	Women on the Way	\$30,000	\$14,500	\$14,500
	Subtotals:	\$743,753	\$351,697	\$351,697
	V. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
29.	Community Child Care Coordinating Council	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
30.	Open Door	\$35,603	\$0	\$0
	Subtotals:	\$85,603	\$50,000	\$50,000
	VI. COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION			
	No applications were submitted in this category.			
	Totals:	\$3,939,486	\$1,722,291	\$1,722,291

Should additional CDBG funds become available prior to the Public Hearing, the CAC proposes the following priority and amounts:

Applicant		CAC Recommends
1	No. 6 - Child, Family and Community Services Inc. (Head Start at EYFC)	Up to \$100,000
2	No. 7 - Family Emergency Shelter Coalition	Up to additional \$49,000
3	No.11 - Salvation Army	Up to additional \$50,000
4	No. 4 - Eden Housing	Up to \$600,000

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 1

Category of Need: Housing Rehabilitation
Applicant: Citizen's Housing / Stevenson Housing Corp.
Project: Las Casitas of Hayward

Amount Requested: \$450,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: \$0
CED Staff Recommendation: \$0

Agency Description:

Stevenson Housing Corp. (SHC) is a wholly controlled affiliate of Citizen's Housing Corporation (CHC). Both organizations are 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporations whose mission is to increase and preserve affordable housing opportunities for low-income Californians. For Las Casitas, the relationship of the entities is as follows: SHC acquired the property, will remain as part of the ownership entity, and will secure all financing; CHC will serve as developer, overseeing the rehabilitation project.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

SHC is requesting \$450,000 in CDBG funding to contribute toward the rehabilitation of Las Casitas of Hayward, a 61-unit affordable housing complex located at 26409 Gading Road.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$ 0
04-05	0
03-04	0
02-03	105,000
	(Park Manor Apts.)
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

This project received City assistance through a mortgage revenue bond in 2005 in the amount of \$7 million for acquisition of this apartment complex. Because of the low-income tenants that are in place at this complex, the project qualifies for Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds. Given the reduction in available CDBG funds in FY 2006-07, it is recommended that HOME funds, as well as other resources, be sought for this project.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds, but notes that HOME funds have also decreased for FY 2006-07.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 2

Category of Need: Housing Rehabilitation
Applicant: City of Hayward
Project: Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP)

Amount Requested: \$575,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 575,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 575,000

Agency Description:
Applicant is the City of Hayward

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The City's Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP) provides property rehabilitation assistance on a city-wide basis to lower income homeowners. The objective of the program is to upgrade the housing stock and increase the supply of decent, safe, affordable housing throughout the City. In FY 06-07 the HRLP proposes to rehabilitate at least 12 homes by providing loans up to \$35,000 (\$25,000 for mobile homes).

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$575,000
04-05	575,000
03-04	575,000
02-03	575,000
01-02	537,000

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The CAC supports the City's Housing and Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP) which provides low interest deferred loans to low-income home owners who often do not qualify for conventional loans, and who do not have the finances necessary to maintain their homes in a safe condition. This program serves to upgrade the housing stock for lower income households and increases the supply of decent, safe and affordable housing throughout the City. It is recommended that this project be funded in the amount requested.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 3

Category of Need: Housing Rehabilitation
Applicant: City of Hayward
Project: Minor Home Repair and Accessibility Program

Amount Requested: \$350,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 350,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 350,000

Agency Description:
Applicant is the City of Hayward.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The City's Minor Home Repair and Accessibility Program (MHRAP) provides minor home repair and accessibility services to lower income households that are headed by people who have disabilities or are elderly. The program's services are intended to address deferred maintenance problems that can jeopardize the health and safety of the home occupants. Grants may also be made to improve accessibility for homeowners and tenants who have disabilities. During FY 06-07, the MHRP proposes to provide grants of up to \$5,000 for at least forty-five Hayward residents.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$300,000
04-05	300,000
03-04	300,000
02-03	300,000
01-02	225,000

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

Many mobile homes, as well as conventional houses, that are occupied by lower-income households headed by older adults or persons with disabilities experience deferred maintenance problems which can jeopardize the health and safety of the occupants. This can create potentially serious hazards for the residents and cause blight in Hayward neighborhoods. Grants provided through the City's Minor Home Repair and Accessibility Program will be used to address minor home repairs and home accessibility modifications needed by disabled homeowners and tenants. Consequently, the Commission recommends that this application be funded in the amount requested.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 4

Category of Need: Housing Rehabilitation
Applicant: Eden Housing
Project: Huntwood Commons

Amount Requested: \$600,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 0
CED Staff Recommendation: 0

Agency Description:

Eden Housing, Inc., a non-profit East Bay housing developer and manager that builds and maintains service enhanced affordable housing designed to meet the needs of lower income families, seniors, and persons with disabilities.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funds are requested to help pay for the following rehabilitation needs, which exceed the agency's existing project replacement reserves, at Eden Housing's affordable housing complex located at 27901 Huntwood Avenue in Hayward: A) install new roofs and gutters on all 6 buildings located in the complex; B) install an automated security gate and improve security lighting in the complex's parking area; C) correct and repair the current irrigation system now causing water damage to the building's siding; D) bring the children's play area and balcony railings up to code; and E) repair and improve interior and exterior areas of the complex.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$ 0
04-05	100,000
	(Harris Court)
03-04	350,000
	(Glen Berry Apartments)
02-03	0
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

This project qualifies for Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds through the City of Hayward. Given the reduction in available CDBG funds in FY 2006-07, it is recommended that HOME funds, as well as other sources, be sought for this project.

The CAC has developed a prioritized Secondary Consideration List so that if additional CDBG funds become available for distribution prior to the City Council's CDBG Public Hearing, the projects on that list can be considered for a portion of those funds. The Commission ranked this project fourth out of the four projects listed on the Secondary Consideration List.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 5

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: City of Hayward
Project: Acquisition of Matt Jimenez Center

Amount Requested: \$133,330
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 133,330
CED Staff Recommendation: 133,330

Agency Description:
Applicant is the City of Hayward.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The City is requesting funds for the third (of twelve) year's mortgage payments to acquire the former Boys and Girls Club of Hayward facility, located on Ruus Road in south Hayward. The Hayward Area Recreation and Park Department (HARD) has worked closely with the City and is committed to providing program services at the site. The funds requested will be used for acquisition of the building.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$133,330
04-05	133,330
03-04	170,000
02-03	0
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Matt Jimenez Community Center serves youth and adults in one of the City's lowest-income areas, and is considered an important resource for local residents. Until such time that other resources can be identified to pay for these mortgage payments, the Commission supports the use of CDBG funds to pay for this eligible expense.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 6

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facility Improvements
Applicant: Child, Family and Community Services, Inc., and
Eden Youth and Family Center
Project: Eden Youth and Family Center Facility Improvement

Amount Requested: \$280,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 0
CED Staff Recommendation: 0

Agency Description:

Child, Family and Community Services, Inc. (CFCS) provides Head Start and Early Head Start child development programs (that serve lower-income children ages 0-5 in south Hayward) at its Eden Youth and Family Center (EYFC) site. The EYFC provides direct services, and is home to many other self-managed nonprofit agencies that also provide services, to lower-income children, youth and their families.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funds are requested to help pay for the renovation of an empty wing in one of Eden Youth and Family Center's buildings in order to enable the Head Start program currently located there to expand its licensed capacity from 20-40 students.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$23,000 (Sidewalk Canopy Repair and Classroom Upgrades)
04-05	0
03-04	0
02-03	0
01-02	35,000 (EYFC Roof Repair)

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The City of Hayward has allocated over \$435,000 in CDBG facility funding to EYFC in seven of the most recent ten years. Due to the facility's age and condition, it is the Commission's opinion that a comprehensive facility assessment and improvement plan should be undertaken in order to evaluate the structures and prioritize necessary improvements and repairs. Until such a plan is completed, the Commission is reluctant to recommend CDBG funding for additional facility improvement projects. Consequently, funding is not recommended at this time.

The Commission does acknowledge, however, that the rehabilitation activities described in this application would be necessary in order for the Head Start program to double its licensed capacity at EYFC, and that the additional subsidized Head Start slots would be an important resource for south Hayward families. At the Commission's March meeting EYFC representatives indicated that funding from other sources have been identified that can be used to support this project, thus reducing (but not eliminating) the need for CDBG funding. Consequently, the CAC recommends that if additional CDBG funds become available for distribution prior to the City Council's Public Hearing, that this project be considered as top priority for that funding up to \$100,000.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the CAC's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 7

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: Family Emergency Shelter Coalition (FESCO)
Project: Upgrade Project

Amount Requested: \$75,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 26,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 26,000

Agency Description:

The Family Emergency Services Coalition (FESCO) operates a 24-bed shelter that is the only emergency shelter that serves families that include children with two-parents, single fathers, families with teenage sons, as well as single mothers and daughters. Services are provided on a 24-hour basis, 365 days a year, with at least one professional staff person on-site at all times.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funding is requested to build a wheelchair ramp, replace the parking area and attached sidewalks and to build a trash/recycling enclosure at the shelter.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$ 0
04-05	0
03-04	0
02-03	42,000 (Counseling Center Repairs)
01-02	100,000 (Transitional Housing Project)

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The CAC recommends \$26,000 be allocated to support this project, which is less than the requested amount. However, the Commission understands that this request represents a portion of a larger rehabilitation project that already received a FY 02-03 allocation of CDBG funds in the amount of \$42,000 - which at present remains largely unspent. Additionally, during the ARC interview the applicant indicated that there are other potential funding sources that can be used for the replacement of the shelter's wheelchair ramp. Therefore, due to reduced availability of CDBG funds, this recommendation for a \$26,000 allocation is intended to assist with the elements of the proposal not related to the wheelchair ramp. However, if additional CDBG funds become available for distribution prior to the City Council's CDBG public hearing, this project is recommended to be considered as second highest priority (after Proposal No. 6) for those funds, up to the requested amount of \$75,000.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 8

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: Hayward Community Gardens
Project: Facility Upgrade & Improvements

Amount Requested: \$15,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 15,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 15,000

Agency Description:

The Hayward Community Gardens is an all-volunteer membership organization that provides opportunities for low-income families to supplement their grocery budgets by growing their own fruits and vegetables.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The CDBG funding requested is to repair and/or replace fencing and gates, complete repairs and upgrades to its central composting facility, to improve the signage throughout the facility, as well as to upgrade the Garden's seedling "hardening" benches and improve the office reception area.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$ 0
04-05	11,250
03-04	0
02-03	0
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The CAC recommends that this project be funded in the amount requested for those items that enhance the safety and security of the Gardens.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 9

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: Magnolia Women's Recovery Program
Project: Hayward Facility

Amount Requested: \$280,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 0
CED Staff Recommendation: 0

Agency Description:

Magnolia Women's Recovery Program, Inc. (MWRP) is the only residential program in southern Alameda County treating pregnant and postpartum women for chronic substance abuse.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

Magnolia proposes to relocate and expand its existing program from Union City to Hayward, and in doing so, increase its capacity from 6 to 15 beds. Funds are requested for down payment assistance toward the acquisition of 1782 B Street in Hayward.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$0
04-05	\$0
03-04	\$0
02-03	\$0
01-02	\$0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Commission is not recommending that CDBG funding be granted at this time because there remain questions to be answered before the project can be implemented, such as whether a City Use Permit is required (and if so, the timeline for processing such a permit). It is also unclear if all of the licensing requirements to operate the proposed services at this Hayward location have been satisfied.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 10

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: St. Rose Hospital and Eden Youth and Family Center
Project: Silva Clinic Campus Renovation Project

Amount Requested:	Application Withdrawn
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation:	N/A
CED Staff Recommendation:	N/A

Agency Description:
St. Rose Hospital submitted, and then subsequently withdrew, its application.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:
Application withdrawn

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
N/A	N/A

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:
N/A

CED Staff:
N/A

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 11

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: Salvation Army
Project: Salvation Army's Community Service Center

Amount Requested: \$100,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 50,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 50,000

Agency Description:

The Salvation Army offers both faith-based services and a variety of social services to lower-income Hayward residents. Its Social Service Office offers bag lunches, bread and produce and food parcels, personal counseling, referrals and financial assistance for energy costs, travel, and for replacing lost or stolen identification documents. Its food program is offered to lower-income seniors on weekdays, for children during school holidays, and for homeless individuals and families on Sunday evenings.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The CDBG funds requested are for the renovation and upgrade of the existing Community Service Center located at 430 A Street in Hayward. This includes the replacement of the facility's single paned windows with dual-paned windows, and the completion of modest kitchen upgrades to improve the delivery of its food program services to lower-income Hayward residents.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$50,000
04-05	50,000
03-04	50,000
02-03	0
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Commission is encouraged by Salvation Army's efforts to raise funds from other sources to cover the costs of this project. However, because there is a reduction in available CDBG funds in FY 2006-07, it is recommended at this time that \$50,000 be awarded to support this application. The CAC has developed a prioritized Secondary Consideration List so that if additional CDBG funds become available for distribution prior to the City Council's CDBG Public Hearing, the projects on that list can be considered for a portion of those funds. The Commission ranked this project third out of the four projects listed on the Secondary Consideration List so that it can be considered for additional funding up to the full amount requested (i.e., up to a total of \$100,000).

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 12

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: Seventh Step Foundation
Project: Freedom House – Energy Efficient Windows

Amount Requested: \$15,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 15,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 15,000

Agency Description:

Seventh Step Foundation operates a 24-bed residential program called Freedom House located in Hayward that provides emergency housing and support services to adult male homeless parolees.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The CDBG funding requested is for the purchase of energy efficient windows which will help the agency realize substantial long-term savings in utility costs.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$ 0
04-05	0
03-04	0
02-03	179,375
	(Facility Renovation and Expansion)
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Commission recommends this proposal be supported in the amount of \$15,000 to install energy efficient windows which will result in substantial energy cost savings that in turn will free up agency resources that can be used to pay for other service delivery costs.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 13

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: Spectrum Community Services and Service Opportunities for Seniors
Project: Joint Facility Project

Amount Requested: \$41,800
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 41,800
CED Staff Recommendation: 41,800

Agency Description:

Spectrum Community Services, located in Hayward, serves low-income elderly residents throughout Alameda County. Services offered include the delivery of meals to senior congregate meal sites in Hayward, as well as other senior support and employment services. Assistance is also offered to adult children who must care for their aging parents.

Service Opportunities for Seniors (SOS), a separate non-profit organization, is located next door to Spectrum Community Services. SOS operates the Meals on Wheels program which prepares and delivers nutritionally balanced meals to older adults who are unable to leave their homes due to medical or disabling conditions.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

Spectrum Community Services is the lead agency in this collaborative proposal with SOS to explore the feasibility of constructing a new building in Hayward that would house Spectrum's staff, SOS staff, and a centralized kitchen that would be used to generate hot meals for county-wide delivery to low-income seniors both at congregate meal sites, and to the home-bound.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$ 0
04-05	0
03-04	0
02-03	0
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Commission recommends that this collaborative project be funded in the amount requested to support the feasibility study described.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 14

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: Family Resource Center - Westminster Hills Presbyterian Church
Project: ADA Accessibility Improvements

Amount Requested: \$75,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 75,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 75,000

Agency Description:

The South Hayward Neighborhood Collaborative's Family Resource Center and seven other non-profit social service organizations provide a variety of social services to lower-income Hayward residents out of the social services wing of the Westminster Hills Presbyterian Church located in south Hayward.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The CDBG funds requested are to improve ADA accessibility in the portion of the Church which houses other non-profit organizations that deliver social services to lower-income Hayward residents. The proposed scope of work includes the widening of doorways, remodeling bathrooms, and repaving and marking the parking lot.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$0
04-05	\$0
03-04	\$0
02-03	\$0
01-02	\$0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The CAC recommends funding in the amount of \$75,000 to make ADA upgrades to the first floor of this facility. Several social service programs are located at this site; when this project is complete clients who have disabilities will have improved access to those programs.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 15

Category of Need: Neighborhood and Facilities Improvements
Applicant: Women on the Way
Project: Classroom Repair Project

Amount Requested: \$40,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 39,464
CED Staff Recommendation: 39,464

Agency Description:

Women on the Way (WOW) is a ten-bed residential recovery program for women who are addicted to drugs and/or alcohol, located in Hayward.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The CDBG funds requested are for making electrical repairs and other facility improvements that are necessary to renew its license which is required in order for the agency to continue receiving court-referred clients.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$ 0
04-05	30,000
03-04	150,000
02-03	0
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Commission recognizes the importance of the services provided by this applicant, as well as the need to make the cited electrical repairs and other improvements necessary for the agency to renew its license. The Commission's desire to fund this application in the full amount requested was only limited by the total funds available and its desire to also support many other important projects. Consequently, based on the funds available, the amount recommended is \$39,464.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 16

Category of Need: Public Services (PS)
Applicant: Alameda County Community Foodbank
Project: Food Distribution – Food Purchase Program

Amount Requested: \$35,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 35,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 35,000

Agency Description:

The Alameda County Community Foodbank is a private, non-profit corporation that alleviates hunger by providing nutritious food and nutrition education to people in need, educating the public, and promoting public policies that address hunger at its root cause. The Foodbank serves all of Alameda County, including non-profit residential programs, as well as through more direct services.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The funding requested would pay for high nutrient food to be delivered to Hayward so that six local homeless shelters could use the food for client meals, thereby reducing the shelters' operating budgets.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$30,000	\$ 0	\$30,000
04-05	30,000	0	30,000
03-04	30,000	0	30,000
02-03	30,000	0	30,000
01-02	30,000	0	30,000

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Foodbank has not only saved time and money for Hayward shelters through this coordinated shelter distribution program; it has also expanded the amount and types of food available. Recommended funding includes a \$5,000 increase over the FY 2005-06 allocation for the purchase of one-time-only emergency supplies for the six homeless shelters. The CAC finds this particularly fitting in light of the Katrina disaster.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 17

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Community Resources for Independent Living (CRIL)
Project: Hayward Housing Services

Amount Requested: \$50,449
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 0
CED Staff Recommendation: 0

Agency Description:

CRIL's mission is to support, empower, and teach skills to people who have disabilities so they are able to more fully participate in the community and in daily life activities.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funds are requested to continue the delivery of CRIL's housing services program for persons with disabilities which includes the provision of housing listings, information about housing rights, and advocacy (and self-advocacy) training.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$48,500	\$18,000	\$66,500
04-05	48,500	18,000	66,500
03-04	48,500	25,000	73,500
02-03	42,000	25,000	67,500
01-02	40,000	23,000	63,000

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

A request for FY 2006-07 Hayward Social Services funding in the amount of \$68,964 was also submitted to the City by this applicant. The combined total of Social Services and CDBG funds allocated to this agency in FY 2005-06 amounted to \$66,500. This combination of City funds supported both the housing-related services described in the CDBG application and the other independent living services provided by this organization in FY 2005-06. The Human Services Commission and City staff are recommending that \$60,000 in Social Services funding be granted to CRIL in FY 2006-07 for the full array of services this agency offers. Given the reduction in the amount of CDBG funds available in FY 2006-07, and given that the housing-related services described are part of a larger menu of independent living services offered through CRIL, this Commission recommends that the City continue its support of CRIL's services during FY 2006-07 using Social Services funding.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 18

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Eden Council for Hope and Opportunity (ECHO)
Project: Housing Counseling and Rental Assistance Services

Amount Requested: \$156,925
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 78,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 78,000

Agency Description:

ECHO Housing, located in Hayward, is a federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approved Housing Counseling and Fair Housing Agency that works to eradicate illegal housing discrimination throughout Alameda County. ECHO's services include rental guarantees, housing rights education, intervention, mediation, and counseling to tenants and landlords.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The CDBG funds requested are to support the continuation ECHO's HUD-mandated Fair Housing, Landlord/Tenant Counseling, and Rental Assistance Programs. Objectives include: investigation of allegations of discrimination and follow-up as appropriate; the provision of mediation resulting in eviction prevention; and move-in assistance for low and moderate income Hayward families.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$102,612	\$0	\$102,612
04-05	145,000	0	145,000
03-04	145,000	0	145,000
02-03	149,078	0	149,078
01-02	125,000	0	125,000

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Commission recommends continued support of the services provided by ECHO, but at a level lower than in FY 2005-06. Due to the City's decreased CDBG funding in FY 2006-07, it is recommended that CDBG funding be limited to \$78,000. It is noted that this amount is larger than any other Public Services project being recommended for CDBG funding, however, the Commission feels it is important for the City to continue supporting HUD-mandated Fair-Housing Counseling, as well as making Landlord/Tenant Counseling and the Rental Assistance Program services available to low and moderate income Hayward residents.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 19

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Eden Information and Referral (Eden I & R)
Project: Roving Housing Resource Program

Amount Requested: \$50,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 35,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 35,000

Agency Description:

Eden I&R provides information regarding, and referrals to, over 1,250 housing and human service organizations throughout Alameda County. In depth assessments are made by Eden I & R staff when individuals inquire about needed services so that all of the client's needs are noted and appropriate referrals are made; assistance in making successful connections with service providers is offered when needed.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The CDBG funds requested are to support two distinct Eden I & R programs: 1) the Motel Voucher Program which will provide a minimum of 85 bed-nights free to homeless Hayward individuals and families who need temporary emergency housing; and 2) the Roving Housing Resource Program, which provides clients at Hayward homeless shelters direct in-depth case management services, access to the agency's affordable housing database, and shelter staff training and support so that shelter clients can be successfully transitioned from the shelter into stable housing in an efficient and effective manner.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$35,000 (Roving Housing Resources Project)	\$35,000 (CHAIN and Motel Voucher Project)	\$70,000
04-05	35,000 (Roving Housing Resources Project)	20,000 (CHAIN Project)	55,000
03-04	0	10,000 (CHAIN Project)	10,000
02-03	35,000 (Roving Housing Resources Project)	10,000 (CHAIN Project)	45,000
01-02	25,000 (Roving Housing Resources Project)	10,000 (CHAIN Project)	35,000

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

It is recommended that the Motel Voucher portion of this application be supported by the City's Social Services fund because this service component is an integral part of the other social services the agency provides. The Commission recommends that \$35,000 in CDBG funding be granted to support the Roving Housing Resource Program component of this application.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the CAC's recommendation regarding FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 20

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Emergency Shelter Program
Project: Emergency Shelter Services for At-Risk Women and Children

Amount Requested: \$29,989
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 24,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 24,000

Agency Description:

The Emergency Shelter Program (ESP) provides emergency shelter, food and support services to women and children who are victims of domestic violence and who are homeless. Tutoring and structured activities are also provided for shelter school-age children.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funds are requested to provide comprehensive support services to homeless Hayward families.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$ 0	\$24,000	\$24,000
04-05	26,600	24,000	50,600
03-04	44,200	24,000	66,200
02-03	0	24,000	24,000
01-02	0	24,000	24,000

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

This application requests CDBG funds to pay for a variety of support services provided at the agency's 42-bed homeless shelter. Housing related shelter services are eligible for CDBG Public Services funding. Due to reduced CDBG funding availability in FY 06-07, the CAC is unable to recommend funding at the requested amount, and recommends instead that funding be provided in the amount of \$24,000.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 21

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Family Emergency Shelter Coalition (FESCO)
Project: Emergency Shelter Services for At-Risk Women and Children

Amount Requested: \$35,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 23,700
CED Staff Recommendation: 23,700

Agency Description:

FESCO, which is supported by a coalition of 29 Eden Area churches and community organizations, operates a 24-bed emergency shelter for families, as well as two separate sites that provide transitional housing and support services for families.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funds are requested to pay for case management services provided to clients staying at the agency's emergency shelter or transitional housing programs.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$ 0	\$23,700	\$23,700
04-05	26,600	23,700	50,300
03-04	35,000	23,700	58,700
02-03	0	17,200	17,200
01-02	0	17,200	17,200

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

FESCO is the only emergency shelter in mid-Alameda County that serves two-parent families, single fathers and their children, families with boys over the age of 12, as well as single mothers and their children. Housing related shelter services are eligible for CDBG Public Services funding. Due to reduced CDBG funding availability in FY 06-07, the CAC is unable to recommend funding at the requested amount, and recommends instead that funding be provided in the amount of \$23,700.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 22

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Family Violence Law Center
Project: Domestic Violence Emergency Response Project

Amount Requested: \$85,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 58,727
CED Staff Recommendation: 58,727

Agency Description:

The Family Violence Law Center (FVLC) provides services designed to assist primarily women children and youth in Alameda County who have experienced family violence and/or abuse.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG public services funds are requested to support the provision of legal services including in-court representation for victims of domestic violence. In addition, FVLC will continue to operate its Overnight Emergency Response Team program (ONERT) in Hayward, which provides immediate on-site assistance (including meal and motel vouchers, and crisis counseling) to women and their children after incidents of domestic violence.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$38,727 (ONERT Services)	\$20,000 (Legal Services)	\$58,727
04-05	60,000 (ONERT Services)	30,000 (Legal Services)	90,000
03-04	60,000 (ONERT Services)	10,000 (Legal Services)	70,000
02-03	50,000 (ONERT Services)	0	50,000
01-02	0	0	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

In FY 2005-06 the City allocated both Social Services funding (in the amount of \$20,000) and CDBG funding (in the amount of \$38,727) for a combined total of \$58,727 to support two components of this program. The Commission feels it is appropriate to use CDBG funds for this program because of the close link between domestic violence and homeless prevention. However, due to the reduction in CDBG funds during FY 2006-07, it is recommended that funding be limited to the level allocated in FY 2005-06 using both Social Services and CDBG funding (\$58,727).

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 23

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Horeb House
Project: Women and Children's Supportive Services

Amount Requested: \$62,535
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 0
CED Staff Recommendation: 0

Agency Description:

Horeb House for Women and Children is a faith-based, non-profit, residential alcohol and drug recovery program currently home-based in Oakland.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

Residents attend day treatment programs that include support services designed to enhance their recovery including faith-based strategies that assist clients in overcoming their addictions, low-cost shelter for battered women seeking recovery, parenting classes, 12-step workshops for drug and alcohol addictions, anger management training, education and employment development opportunities, and other support services. CDBG funds are requested to support the expansion of Horeb House services into Hayward by securing a site, and obtaining staff and operational costs associated with the program.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
04-05	0	0	0
03-04	0	0	0
02-03	0	0	0
01-02	0	0	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

This request for operating funds is premature because the applicant does not yet have site control in Hayward. Consequently, funding is not recommended at this time.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 24

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Human Outreach Agency (HOA)
Project: Men's Shelter Program

Amount Requested: \$47,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 35,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 35,000

Agency Description:

The Human Outreach Agency operates a twenty-bed homeless shelter that serves adult males. The agency provides shelter and meals, as well as case management and referrals to other service providers as appropriate for its clients.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funds are requested to support the program's weekend and overnight counselors, as well as the case manager who works weekdays. The case manager is responsible for working with each client to develop individual goals, and for monitoring each client's progress toward those goals. The weekend and overnight staff coverage is provided to maintain a safe and secure physical environment.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$40,000	\$10,000	\$50,000
04-05	40,000	0	40,000
03-04	0	0	0
02-03	40,000	0	40,000
01-02	25,000	0	25,000

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

HOA is the only homeless shelter serving single homeless men in Central Alameda County. The Commission wishes to support the continuance of this important service in the Hayward area. Because there is a reduction in available CDBG funds in FY 2006-07, however, it is recommended that the project be supported in the amount of \$35,000.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds. However, it is noted that the applicant's recent financial audit identified a significant finding regarding HOA's financial management and accounting systems. Consequently, it is recommended that funds only be allocated upon the fulfillment of the condition that HOA's Board of Directors develops and implements a satisfactory plan of correction that appropriately addresses the causes, as well as the symptoms, of the agency's financial management problems.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 25

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Seventh Step Foundation
Project: Freedom House / Malabar House

Amount Requested: \$80,875
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 5,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 5,000

Agency Description:

Seventh Step Foundation operates a 24-bed residential program called Freedom House located in Hayward that provides emergency housing and support services to adult male homeless parolees, and Malabar House, an adolescent crisis receiving home in Castro Valley, cares for youth in transition from incarceration back to their family home and community support services, or to licensed group home care as is appropriate.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funding is requested to pay for: Freedom House - the addition of a Job Developer, Housing Coordinator and Case Manager (\$57,250); assistance with food costs (\$10,000); and assistance with increased PG &E costs (\$5,000); and Malabar House - additional staffing (\$8,625).

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$10,000	\$ 0	\$10,000
04-05	0	0	0
03-04	0	0	0
02-03	0	0	0
01-02	0	0	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Commission is supportive of the work proposed by the Seventh Step Foundation. However, the Commission is reticent to support the applicant's expansion of services during a time when CDBG funding is being reduced. It is also noted that a portion of the amount requested, once again, is to cover food costs that might otherwise be supported with federal FEMA dollars had the application for those funds been submitted by the required deadline. In recognition of the client need, despite the agency's failure to meet the application deadline for FEMA funding, the Commission recommends that \$5,000 be allocated to this project. Furthermore, the Commission suggests that City staff assist the applicant to access other available food pantry services which can be used to supplement the food supply of the agency at below market rates.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 26

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Shelter Against Violent Environments
Project: WINGS Transitional Housing

Amount Requested: \$70,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 42,770
CED Staff Recommendation: 42,770

Agency Description:

SAVE's mission is to promote alternatives to domestic violence through support services, advocacy and education, and to help domestic violence victims and their families to end the cycle of violence.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

Shelter Against Violent Environments (SAVE) provides 15 below market rate units of transitional housing in a substance free environment through its *We in Need Gain Strength* (WINGS) program, along with individualized case management and support services, to female survivors of domestic violence and their children. A Children's Counselor is on staff to work with the children who have been exposed to violence and/or abuse, and 24-hour staffing is provided to maintain a safe physical environment. CDBG funds are requested to pay for the Children's Counselor services, and Evening /Overnight staffing.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$40,000	\$10,000	\$50,000
04-05	49,300	7,200	56,500
03-04	49,300	7,200	56,500
02-03	66,329	7,200	73,529
01-02	50,000	7,200	57,200

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

In this FY 06-07 CDBG application, the applicant has consolidated into one CDBG application activities that were previously funded by a combination of City of Hayward Social Services and CDBG funding. Because all of the proposed activities would be provided within the context of a supportive transitional housing program, the application is eligible for CDBG Public Services funding. However, due to the reduced availability of CDBG funding for FY 2006-07, and the likelihood that the WINGS facility will undergo major rehabilitation during that program year (requiring temporary relocation of the program's tenants thus reducing late night and weekend staffing costs), it is recommended that this project receive an allocation in the amount of \$42,770.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the CAC's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 27

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Spectrum Community Services
Project: Congregate Meal Subsidy Project

Amount Requested: \$10,980
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 0
CED Staff Recommendation: 0

Agency Description:

Spectrum Community Services, located in Hayward, serves low-income elderly residents throughout Alameda County. Services offered include the delivery of meals to senior congregate meal sites in Hayward, as well as other senior support and employment services. Assistance is also offered to adult children who must care for their aging parents.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funds are requested to support the delivery of hot meals to congregate meal sites that serve nearly two hundred seniors who live in low-income senior housing. In addition to low cost meals, these programs offer social support and interaction. These two elements are intended to help maintain seniors' independence as long as practicable. The proposed congregate meal sites that will be served are: Josephine Lum Lodge, Eden Garden Estate Mobile Home Park, Spanish Ranch I, and Hayward Mobile Country Club.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$14,388 (Senior Housing Congregate Meal Program)	\$5,000 (Community-based Congregate Meal Program)	\$19,388
04-05	0	0	0
03-04	0	0	0
02-03	0	15,000 (Volunteer Services)	0
01-02	0	15,000 (Volunteer Services)	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The services proposed in this application are included in the proposal submitted for Social Services funding. It is recommended that the City utilize Social Services funding to support this project.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 28

Category of Need: Public Services
Applicant: Women on the Way
Project: Residential Recovery Program for Adult Women

Amount Requested: \$30,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 14,500
CED Staff Recommendation: 14,500

Agency Description:

Women on the Way (WOW) is a ten-bed residential recovery program for women who are addicted to drugs and/or alcohol, located in Hayward. It is currently an all volunteer run program.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

CDBG funding is requested to help pay for an Executive Director/Program Manager and other CDBG eligible operation costs. Moving from an all volunteer operation to one that has paid staff will help stabilize and improve the long-term sustainability of the organization.

Fiscal Year	CDBG (PS) Funding	Soc. Svcs. Funding	Total
05-06	\$9,500	\$10,000	\$19,500
04-05	0	0	0
03-04	0	0	0
02-03	0	0	0
01-02	0	0	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

The Commission believes the agency's decision to hire paid staff instead of relying solely on the volunteers will improve the program's capacity to provide services over time. It is recommended that CDBG funds be allocated to this application; however, due to the reduction in CDBG funds during this period, it is recommended that funding be limited to \$14,500.

CED Staff:

The agency has demonstrated that it has the infrastructure in place to manage the responsibilities associated with managing employed personnel. Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 29

Category of Need: Economic Development
Applicant: Community Child Care Coordinating Council (4C's)
Project: Child Care Initiative Project

Amount Requested: \$50,000
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 50,000
CED Staff Recommendation: 50,000

Agency Description:

The 4-C's of Alameda County, located in Hayward, offers families assistance in locating appropriate licensed providers of childcare. Parenting classes, information and referral, and newsletters updating the community regarding issues and events that impact services to children, particularly child care, are also provided. The 4-C's administers programs for Cal WORK's participants, and sponsors the USDA Child Care Food Program, which ensures that children receive nutritious meals while in child care. The agency's Child Care Initiative Project provides technical assistance and training to unlicensed providers of small family day care centers.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

The CDBG funding is requested will help a minimum of 16 unlicensed family day care providers learn the business aspects of operating a child care program, as well as obtain and maintain the license required to provide child care services.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$30,000
04-05	0
03-04	0
02-03	0
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

This micro-enterprise project has proven to be an effective way to assist low and moderate income entrepreneurs establish and maintain Licensed Family Childcare Homes, thereby increasing economic self-sufficiency. This project also has the added benefit of increasing the number of affordable childcare slots that are available to Hayward families. For these reasons the Commission recommends that this application be funded in the amount requested.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.

FY 2006-07 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal #: 30

Category of Need: Economic Development
Applicant: Open Door
Project: Women's Micro-Enterprise

Amount Requested: \$35,603
Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) Recommendation: 0
CED Staff Recommendation: 0

Agency Description:

Open Door is located in the center of the Tennyson-Harder Corridor at South Hayward United Methodist Church. The program's primary goal is to empower low-income women and victims of domestic violence by enabling them to acquire tools to become self-sufficient and financially independent. The Women's Micro-Enterprise Program will offer classes in business skills to support clients in becoming small business owners.

Summary of Project Proposed for FY 2006-07:

In the Women's Micro-Enterprise Program, women will participate in a two-semester program that will provide basic accounting, sales, marketing, and other business principals that foster the development of well-rounded business owners. CDBG funds are requested to support the program director, the instructors, and textbooks.

Fiscal Year	CDBG Funding
05-06	\$0
04-05	0
03-04	0
02-03	0
01-02	0

Comments:

Citizens Advisory Commission:

While the goals of this application are worthy, the program design does not appear feasible. It appears overly optimistic to expect that the targeted clients would be able to develop an effective "business plan" during the brief timeframe outlined in the proposal, particularly if they lack prerequisite skills and knowledge. Additionally, there are other educational and vocational training programs already in Hayward that offer the services being proposed.

CED Staff:

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation regarding the allocation of FY 2006-07 CDBG funds.